

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please modify the paragraph at page 9, line 23 through page 10, line 3 in the following manner:

Fig. 1a is a view showing the case where the three-dimensional k space is divided by a plane  ~~$K_x-k_z$~~   $K_x-K_z$  defined by a read direction ( $K_x$ ) and a slice encode direction ( ~~$k_z$~~ ) ( $K_z$ ) into a high frequency measurement area B containing an origin and other low frequency measurement areas A and C in terms of  $K_x = 0$  plane.